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BUSINESS FAILURES UP SLIGHTLY IN MARCH

NEW YORK, Nov. 7--Business failures in March 1985 increased 0.3 percent to 5,768 from 5,750 in March 1984 according to The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation.

Liabilities for March totaled $3.8 billion, 8.9 percent more than the year-ago figure of $3.5 billion.

Failures increased in five of the major industry sectors. The largest increases in business failures were registered for agriculture, forestry and fishing, up 41.5 percent; and services, up 14.5 percent.

Four of the country's nine geographic regions registered increases in business failures in March. The largest regional increases were reported in the West South Central states, up 35.2 percent; the West North Central states, up 24.3 percent; and the East North Central states, up 19.2 percent. The largest decreases were reported in the New England states, down 21.3 percent; the Middle Atlantic states, down 20.1 percent; and the Pacific states, down 14.9 percent.

Dun & Bradstreet's business failure statistics include businesses that ceased operations following assignment or bankruptcy; ceased operations with losses to creditors after such actions as execution, foreclosure or attachment; voluntarily withdrew leaving unpaid obligations; were involved in court actions such as receivership, reorganization or arrangement; or voluntarily compromised with creditors.

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(See Attached Table for Additonal Data)

NOTES PERTAINING TO ALL TABLES

1. As of January 1984 Dun & Bradstreet expanded the compilation of business closing statistics in certain industry groupings. As a result, calculations of industrial breakdowns have been changed to reflect the new collection criteria and data reported for individual industries prior to 1984 are generally not comparable to succeeding years.

2. Dun & Bradstreet collects data as initial bankruptcy filings are made; additional details become available as court proceedings move forward. The database is updated for twelve months following initial filings at which time it is frozen for statistical purposes.

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4. Monthly tabulations are calculated by including data for all weeks in which Friday falls within the particular month. This may result in a differing number of weeks for the same month from year to year.

5. Industry computations are made by using the SIC (Standard Industrial Classification) code assigned by the field data collection staff based on the type of business the company was engaged in. There are some companies for which no SIC code is appropriate. The SIC table as developed and maintained by the U.S. Government recognizes this and includes code 9999 for these establishments. The tabulation for this category appears in the industry tables under the heading of 'Nonclassifiable Establishments'.

6. There are some bankruptcy filings for which liability information is either unavailable or unobtainable. For statistical purposes these companies are counted as having zero liabilities and are included as such in appropriate tables.

7. Any questions or comments concerning the information contained in these tables can be directed to:

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U.S. MONTHLY BUSINESS FAILURES

Failure Month	1934 Failures	1934 Liabilities	1935 Failures	1935 Liabilities
January	4,401	$1,783,290,470	5,575	$1,371,[illegible],204
February	4,174	$1,713,[illegible]1,667	4,226	$2,[illegible],[illegible]73
March	5,750	$3,479,740,479	5,798	$3,790,656,191
	14,405	$6,976,093,116	13,669	$8,041,037,067

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U.S. BUSINESS FAILURES IN 25 LARGEST CITIES

	March 1984		March 1985	
	Number	Liabilities	Number	Liabilities
New York, NY	50	$11,535,402	49	$52,689,373
Chicago, IL	65	$12,510,130	72	$18,369,776
Los Angeles, CA	121	$20,754,891	108	$32,516,139
Philadelphia, PA	21	$4,781,959	24	$3,736,260
Detroit, MI	28	$7,733,541	16	$23,611,830
Houston, TX	72	$297,887,468	138	$103,310,841
Baltimore, MD	27	$2,234,909	23	$8,909,384
Dallas, TX	35	$9,155,202	34	$438,390,915
Washington, DC	7	$9,786,689	4	$1,000
Cleveland, OH	12	$4,283,924	20	$769,045
Indianapolis, IN	13	$958,302	24	$3,840,275
Milwaukee, WI	9	$665,429	30	$13,339,392
San Francisco, CA	18	$4,734,897	18	$3,014,836
San Diego, CA	52	$5,316,023	56	$4,449,926
San Antonio, TX	22	$1,513,417	10	$960,857
Boston, MA	13	$2,487,392	8	$662,486
Memphis, TN	21	$1,428,182	6	$18,308,666
St. Louis, MO	21	$257,245	3	$0
New Orleans, LA	6	$1,113,436	16	$1,431,672
Phoenix, AZ	20	$5,922,846	16	$6,430,513
Columbus, OH	34	$4,915,849	31	$3,373,245
Seattle, WA	25	$28,745,937	30	$3,879,693
Jacksonville, FL	12	$59,551	12	$1,525,404
Pittsburgh, PA	27	$5,730,050	19	$15,682,314
Denver, CO	75	$135,818,773	56	$35,894,071
TOTAL 25 CITIES	806	$580,331,444	823	$800,147,923
BALANCE OF COUNTRY	4,944	$2,899,409,035	4,945	$2,990,538,263
TOTAL UNITED STATES	5,750	$3,479,740,479	5,768	$3,790,686,191

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U.S. BUSINESS FAILURES BY SIZE OF LIABILITY

	March 1984 Number	Percent	Liabilities
Under $5,000	794	13.8%	$275,671
$5,000 To $25,000	312	5.4%	$3,773,865
$25,000 To $100,000	742	12.9%	$32,979,101
$100,000 To $1,000,000	2,170	37.7%	$363,149,369
$1,000,000 And Over	1,732	30.1%	$3,079,562,473
TOTAL UNITED STATES	5,750	100.0%	$3,479,740,479

	March 1985 Number	Percent	Liabilities
Under $5,000	838	14.5%	$198,752
$5,000 To $25,000	268	4.6%	$3,110,372
$25,000 To $100,000	649	11.3%	$30,093,673
$100,000 To $1,000,000	2,049	35.5%	$357,635,186
$1,000,000 And Over	1,964	34.0%	$3,399,648,208
TOTAL UNITED STATES	5,768	100.0%	$3,790,686,191

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U.S. BUSINESS FAILURES BY INDUSTRY

	March 1984		March 1985	
	Number	Liabilities	Number	Liabilities
AGRICULTURE/FORESTRY/FISHING				
Agricultural Production-Crops....	118	$76,555,766	212	$75,423,920
Agricultural Production-Livestock	69	$36,483,930	70	$31,627,391
Agricultural Services.....	45	$12,079,680	48	$9,096,817
Forestry.....	0	$0	2	$302,321
Fishing, Hunting, Trapping.....	4	$533,985	2	$20,000
TOTAL AGRICULTURE/FORESTRY/FISHING.	236	$125,653,361	334	$116,470,449
MINING				
Metal Mining.....	4	$753,000	7	$6,760,401
Anthracite Mining.....	0	$0	2	$432,613
Bituminous Coal/Lignite Mining...	16	$13,306,168	14	$10,412,103
Oil & Gas Extraction.....	61	$270,391,077	64	$142,270,016
Nonmet. Mineral Mining Xcpt Fuel.	3	$895,892	2	$35,000
TOTAL MINING.....	84	$285,346,137	89	$159,910,138
CONSTRUCTION				
Gen. Contractors/Oper. Builders..	307	$87,974,109	316	$257,173,463
Construction Other Than Buildings	66	$19,458,219	37	$11,301,680
Special Trade Contractors.....	436	$59,254,996	382	$51,939,452
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION.....	809	$166,687,324	735	$320,414,595
MANUFACTURING				
Food & Kindred Products.....	27	$9,254,922	31	$427,473,149
Tobacco Manufacturers.....	0	$0	0	$0
Textile Mill Products.....	7	$3,819,816	9	$104,513,516
Apparel & Other Textile Products.	47	$29,458,233	36	$22,391,390
Lumber & Wood Products.....	41	$11,733,613	45	$13,448,554
Furniture & Fixtures.....	30	$21,130,981	27	$7,498,819
Paper & Allied Products.....	10	$59,383,854	5	$0
Printing & Publishing.....	75	$15,310,900	68	$12,435,080
Chemicals & Allied Products.....	19	$14,619,412	14	$6,759,790
Petroleum Refining.....	5	$210,984,860	3	$51,029,849
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products..	26	$12,532,365	22	$8,983,251
Leather & Leather Products.....	9	$1,197,691	3	$117,625
Stone/Clay/Glass Products.....	10	$4,554,416	18	$6,551,778
Primary Metal Industries.....	12	$10,022,957	8	$93,245,655
Fabricated Metal Products.....	62	$31,247,457	51	$43,831,457
Machinery Xcpt Electrical.....	83	$36,885,449	68	$12,557,516
Electrical/Electronic Equipment..	20	$4,124,346	44	$71,261,193
Transportation Equipment.....	30	$7,892,833	12	$5,236,958
Instruments & Related Products...	9	$6,073,561	10	$25,846,903
Misc. Manufacturing Industries...	25	$8,336,742	22	$22,646,654
TOTAL MANUFACTURING.....	547	$498,614,408	496	$935,879,142
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES				
Railroad Transportation.....	0	$0	0	$0
Local/Interurban Pass. Trans.....	8	$1,029,643	17	$2,571,501
Trucking & Warehousing.....	162	$53,906,887	170	$27,080,073
U.S. Postal Service.....	0	$0	0	$0
Water Transportation.....	17	$20,839,657	15	$23,238,654
Air Transportation.....	13	$3,154,665	9	$4,251,778
Pipelines Xcpt Natural Gas.....	0	$0	0	$0
Transportation Services.....	33	$6,954,212	29	$10,090,473
Communication.....	12	$10,426,341	18	$15,071,540
Electric/Gas/Sanitary Services...	6	$1,469,430	3	$460,467
TOTAL TRANS. & PUBLIC UTILITIES....	251	$97,730,835	261	$82,764,491

U.S. BUSINESS FAILURES BY INDUSTRY

	March 1984		March 1985	
	Number	Liabilities	Number	Liabilities
WHOLESALE TRADE				
Durable Goods				
Motor Vehicles/Automotive Equip..	41	$7,557,741	51	$14,178,154
Furniture & Home Furnishings.....	15	$2,871,954	14	$3,461,474
Lumber & Construction Materials..	36	$9,123,569	21	$15,294,824
Sporting Goods/Toys/Hobby Goods..	16	$65,338,962	11	$713,419
Metals & Minerals Xcpt Petroleum.	9	$4,938,444	17	$335,076,647
Electrical Goods.....	29	$3,589,450	33	$11,174,953
Hardware/Plumbing/Heating Equip..	28	$5,424,122	20	$42,747,354
Machinery Equipment & Supplies...	144	$133,472,136	114	$18,270,411
Miscellaneous Durable Goods.....	22	$4,482,687	13	$1,503,177
Total Durable Goods.....	340	$236,799,065	304	$442,420,413
Non-Durable Goods				
Paper & Paper Products.....	11	$1,374,434	18	$11,616,830
Drugs, Proprietors & Sundries....	7	$717,462	1	$150,000
Apparel/Piece Goods/Notions.....	18	$249,040	18	$5,779,131
Groceries & Related Products.....	75	$29,746,333	62	$15,415,616
Farm Product Raw Materials.....	12	$3,021,483	13	$1,427,828
Chemicals & Allied Products.....	6	$93,936	7	$1,029,644
Petroleum & Petroleum Products...	22	$14,694,540	15	$2,340,764
Beer, Wine & Distilled Beverages.	4	$954,440	7	$9,764,323
Miscellaneous Non-Durable Goods..	60	$14,436,849	49	$5,770,362
Total Non-Durable Goods.....	215	$65,288,517	190	$53,294,493
TOTAL WHOLESALE TRADE.....	555	$302,087,582	494	$495,714,916
RETAIL TRADE				
Building Materials/Garden Supply.	101	$16,987,964	77	$136,411,695
General Merchandise Stores.....	19	$1,165,706	16	$1,121,187
Food Stores.....	143	$18,803,383	134	$23,900,544
Automotive Dlrs./Service Stations	146	$19,319,246	123	$15,990,280
Apparel & Accessory Stores.....	213	$21,936,348	196	$14,733,658
Furniture/Home Furnishing Stores.	164	$22,039,384	134	$13,210,330
Eating & Drinking Places.....	365	$49,235,957	349	$80,625,764
Miscellaneous Retail Trade				
Drug & Proprietary Stores.....	22	$2,341,372	8	$834,297
Liquor Stores.....	31	$6,159,841	10	$1,640,005
Used Merchandise Stores.....	7	$845,903	17	$2,137,007
Sporting Goods.....	49	$3,249,781	46	$5,050,035
Book Stores.....	3	$173,365	5	$349,644
Stationery Stores.....	10	$672,926	5	$215,386
Jewelry Stores.....	27	$3,656,702	19	$3,761,412
Hobby, Toy & Game Shops.....	10	$304,342	10	$365,589
Camera/Photographic Supply Stores	2	$264,457	5	$1,082,691
Gift, Novelty & Souvenir Shops...	31	$1,400,016	26	$1,011,695
Luggage & Leather Goods Stores...	3	$163,535	3	$0
Sewing/Needlework/Piece Goods....	6	$928,412	9	$650,744
Nonstore Retailers.....	17	$1,926,737	24	$1,854,983
Fuel & Ice Dealers.....	7	$243,203	6	$4,245,208
Other Retail Stores.....	91	$19,537,680	135	$35,402,224
Total Miscellaneous Retail Trade...	316	$41,868,272	328	$58,600,920
TOTAL RETAIL TRADE.....	1,467	$191,411,765	1,357	$344,594,373

U.S. BUSINESS FAILURES BY INDUSTRY

	March 1984		March 1985	
	Number	Liabilities	Number	Liabilities
FINANCE/INSURANCE/REAL ESTATE				
Banking	7	$236,598,951	7	$162,700,317
Credit Agencies Xcpt Banks	25	$341,262,296	21	$28,621,762
Security/Commodity Brokers & Svcs	18	$4,940,629	14	$57,950,124
Insurance Carriers	3	$1,648,058	4	$1,841,490
Insurance Agents/Brokers & Svcs	20	$2,442,075	26	$3,421,525
Real Estate	160	$57,777,497	160	$209,463,987
Comb. Real Estate, Insurance, Etc	0	$0	2	$81,300
Holding & Other Investment Off	16	$32,447,518	23	$16,215,953
TOTAL FINANCE/INSURANCE/REAL ESTATE	249	$727,117,024	262	$430,296,464
SERVICES				
Personal Services				
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	34	$24,176,784	22	$16,201,664
Laundry/Cleaning/Garment Services	20	$3,838,635	27	$1,734,181
Photographic Portrait Studios	10	$146,534	5	$281,505
Beauty Shops	21	$1,264,538	34	$2,467,547
Barber Shops	2	$93,938	2	$92,834
Shoe Repair & Hat Cleaning Shops	1	$125,000	1	$25,000
Funeral Services & Crematories	1	$72,885	3	$241,328
Miscellaneous Personal Services	40	$3,020,990	64	$57,469,120
Total Personal Services	129	$32,739,304	156	$78,513,179
Business Services				
Advertising	34	$3,225,183	21	$2,311,242
Consumer Credit Rptg./Collection	2	$16,076	6	$1,277,439
Mail/Reproduction/Steno Services	19	$1,475,282	23	$1,264,456
Services To Buildings	34	$838,147	38	$2,124,003
News Syndicates	1	$54,341	0	$0
Personnel Supply Services	12	$524,359	10	$981,495
Computer/Data Processing Services	22	$9,866,077	34	$11,407,817
Miscellaneous Business Services	285	$51,505,313	254	$406,892,892
Total Business Services	409	$67,554,778	386	$426,259,344
Miscellaneous Services				
Automotive Repair/Service/Garages	148	$11,539,740	142	$12,355,621
Miscellaneous Repair Services	82	$7,313,152	68	$4,144,444
Motion Picture/Amuse./Recr. Svcs.	75	$27,044,656	62	$17,004,324
Health Services	58	$15,360,423	64	$46,421,269
Legal Services	13	$803,356,430	22	$2,617,397
Educational Services	13	$2,934,920	12	$6,524,033
Social Services	20	$2,077,040	17	$1,758,809
Museums, Botan./Zoologic Gardens	2	$593,061	1	$798,796
Membership Organizations	6	$2,038,865	8	$5,821,867
Private Households	3	$526,277	0	$0
Engineering & Architectural Svcs.	17	$873,018	17	$6,192,813
Non-Commercial Research Orgs	0	$0	0	$0
Acctg./Auditing/Bookkeeping Svcs.	18	$2,511,514	17	$10,539,952
Other Services	381	$78,974,660	599	$130,074,994
Total Miscellaneous Services	836	$955,143,756	1,029	$244,254,824
TOTAL SERVICES	1,374	$1,055,437,838	1,573	$749,027,347
TOTAL PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	1	$184,433	1	$0
NONCLASSIFIABLE ESTABLISHMENTS	177	$29,419,772	166	$105,614,271
TOTAL UNITED STATES	5,750	$3,479,740,479	5,768	$3,790,636,191

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U.S. BUSINESS FAILURES BY STATES AND REGIONS

	March 1984		March 1985	
	Number	Liabilities	Number	Liabilities
Maine	16	$4,262,215	6	$2,133,542
New Hampshire	11	$678,902	12	$1,507,778
Vermont	4	$207,461	3	$111,618
Massachusetts	70	$76,013,082	64	$132,718,013
Connecticut	51	$13,095,660	42	$94,982,214
Rhode Island	17	$8,541,153	6	$4,145,311
TOTAL NEW ENGLAND	169	$102,798,473	133	$235,598,481
New York	278	$60,840,534	191	$140,114,465
New Jersey	120	$42,734,135	104	$36,740,627
Pennsylvania	193	$31,397,550	177	$50,984,297
TOTAL MIDDLE ATLANTIC	591	$134,972,269	472	$227,839,389
Ohio	266	$47,152,269	242	$44,534,606
Indiana	77	$11,900,669	181	$62,926,172
Illinois	246	$110,611,879	335	$70,760,383
Michigan	218	$107,210,042	176	$65,692,025
Wisconsin	92	$27,877,590	138	$38,583,983
TOTAL EAST NORTH CENTRAL	899	$304,752,449	1,072	$282,497,174
Minnesota	64	$17,926,425	59	$6,708,938
Iowa	57	$17,688,967	95	$28,107,721
Missouri	126	$10,207,743	105	$3,465,560
North Dakota	12	$6,469,465	7	$1,007,523
South Dakota	14	$1,221,054	0	$0
Nebraska	14	$0	9	$14,096,457
Kansas	59	$12,328,822	155	$23,675,700
TOTAL WEST NORTH CENTRAL	346	$65,842,476	430	$77,061,904
Maryland	69	$12,138,214	61	$16,923,242
Delaware	8	$593,059	8	$3,176,042
District Of Columbia	7	$9,736,689	4	$1,000
Virginia	101	$28,484,605	126	$135,397,690
West Virginia	25	$6,206,519	40	$7,965,319
North Carolina	80	$14,807,355	69	$7,505,361
South Carolina	25	$6,234,472	24	$1,008,396
Georgia	58	$11,617,993	69	$73,441,862
Florida	271	$55,043,137	287	$199,287,996
TOTAL SOUTH ATLANTIC	644	$144,912,593	688	$449,712,508
Kentucky	95	$25,738,122	111	$26,620,732
Tennessee	129	$71,617,488	104	$50,885,015
Alabama	93	$10,898,658	90	$64,247,101
Mississippi	47	$28,477,580	38	$3,348,898
TOTAL EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	364	$136,731,848	343	$145,101,746
Arkansas	60	$21,400,991	24	$3,815,521
Oklahoma	87	$52,655,074	61	$15,302,270
Louisiana	65	$21,307,273	209	$158,317,629
Texas	333	$820,674,735	443	$1,041,687,884
TOTAL WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	545	$916,038,073	737	$1,219,123,304

U.S. BUSINESS FAILURES BY STATES AND REGIONS

	March 1984		March 1985	
	Number	Liabilities	Number	Liabilities
Montana	22	$6,548,842	15	$2,430,357
Idaho	20	$3,908,486	8	$275,438
Wyoming	22	$18,554,907	35	$5,255,323
Colorado	291	$183,873,413	248	$231,457,563
New Mexico	17	$4,001,280	31	$3,020,909
Arizona	74	$15,113,038	60	$22,348,714
Utah	82	$8,464,368	73	$10,570,227
Nevada	30	$22,380,707	33	$8,925,218
TOTAL MOUNTAIN	558	$262,845,041	503	$289,283,754
Alaska	10	$2,007,332	12	$1,521,200
Hawaii	23	$1,613,772	26	$32,089,675
Washington	145	$57,749,578	135	$23,937,272
Oregon	212	$52,675,028	156	$20,212,032
California	1,244	$1,296,801,547	1,061	$786,707,752
TOTAL PACIFIC	1,634	$1,410,847,257	1,390	$864,467,931
TOTAL REGIONS & STATES	5,750	$3,479,740,479	5,768	$3,790,635,191

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U.S. BUSINESS FAILURES BY SIZE OF LIABILITY AND INDUSTRY

	March 1985 Number	Percent	Liabilities
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, & FISHING...	334	100.0%	$116,470,449
Under $5,000.....	19	5.7%	$0
$5,000 To $25,000.....	8	2.4%	$107,211
$25,000 To $100,000.....	24	7.2%	$1,204,695
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	109	32.6%	$28,771,926
$1,000,000 And Over.....	174	52.1%	$86,386,617
MINING.....	89	100.0%	$159,910,138
Under $5,000.....	8	9.0%	$6,000
$5,000 To $25,000.....	2	2.2%	$21,674
$25,000 To $100,000.....	10	11.2%	$365,157
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	20	22.5%	$5,144,401
$1,000,000 And Over.....	49	55.1%	$154,372,906
CONSTRUCTION.....	735	100.0%	$320,414,595
Under $5,000.....	111	15.1%	$31,696
$5,000 To $25,000.....	32	4.4%	$360,494
$25,000 To $100,000.....	66	9.0%	$2,967,828
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	304	41.4%	$50,301,990
$1,000,000 And Over.....	222	30.2%	$266,752,587
MANUFACTURING.....	496	100.0%	$935,879,142
Under $5,000.....	151	30.4%	$27,047
$5,000 To $25,000.....	23	4.6%	$228,021
$25,000 To $100,000.....	66	13.3%	$3,515,580
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	193	38.9%	$54,856,145
$1,000,000 And Over.....	63	12.7%	$877,251,749
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES..	261	100.0%	$82,764,491
Under $5,000.....	40	15.3%	$6,396
$5,000 To $25,000.....	6	2.3%	$79,664
$25,000 To $100,000.....	27	10.3%	$1,000,534
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	125	47.9%	$17,053,562
$1,000,000 And Over.....	63	24.1%	$64,624,335
WHOLESALE TRADE.....	494	100.0%	$495,714,916
Under $5,000.....	116	23.5%	$19,013
$5,000 To $25,000.....	33	6.7%	$365,915
$25,000 To $100,000.....	72	14.6%	$3,230,729
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	218	44.1%	$48,477,621
$1,000,000 And Over.....	55	11.1%	$443,621,638
RETAIL TRADE.....	1,357	100.0%	$344,594,378
Under $5,000.....	199	14.7%	$75,241
$5,000 To $25,000.....	81	6.0%	$907,608
$25,000 To $100,000.....	187	13.8%	$8,682,326
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	598	44.1%	$79,472,831
$1,000,000 And Over.....	292	21.5%	$255,456,372

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	March 1985 Number	Percent	Liabilities
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE..	262	100.0%	$480,296,464
Under $5,000.....	33	12.6%	$7,310
$5,000 To $25,000.....	12	4.6%	$156,560
$25,000 To $100,000.....	24	9.2%	$897,473
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	76	29.0%	$15,516,379
$1,000,000 And Over.....	117	44.7%	$463,718,742
SERVICES.....	1,573	100.0%	$749,027,347
Under $5,000.....	156	9.9%	$25,449
$5,000 To $25,000.....	70	4.5%	$365,423
$25,000 To $100,000.....	173	11.0%	$8,229,351
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	389	24.7%	$57,082,061
$1,000,000 And Over.....	785	49.9%	$682,825,063
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.....	1	100.0%	$0
Under $5,000.....	1	100.0%	$0
$5,000 To $25,000.....	0	0.0%	$0
$25,000 To $100,000.....	0	0.0%	$0
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	0	0.0%	$0
$1,000,000 And Over.....	0	0.0%	$0
NONCLASSIFIABLE ESTABLISHMENTS.....	166	100.0%	$105,614,271
Under $5,000.....	4	2.4%	$0
$5,000 To $25,000.....	1	0.6%	$17,802
$25,000 To $100,000.....	0	0.0%	$0
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	17	10.2%	$953,270
$1,000,000 And Over.....	144	86.7%	$104,633,199
TOTAL UNITED STATES.....	5,768	100.0%	$3,790,686,191
Under $5,000.....	838	14.5%	$198,752
$5,000 To $25,000.....	268	4.6%	$3,110,372
$25,000 To $100,000.....	649	11.3%	$30,093,673
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	2,049	35.5%	$357,635,186
$1,000,000 And Over.....	1,964	34.0%	$3,399,648,208

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	March 1984 Number	Percent	Liabilities
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, & FISHING...	236	100.0%	$125,653,361
Under $5,000.....	26	11.0%	$0
$5,000 To $25,000.....	8	3.4%	$103,220
$25,000 To $100,000.....	20	8.5%	$1,063,683
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	82	34.7%	$20,989,713
$1,000,000 And Over.....	100	42.4%	$103,496,745
MINING.....	84	100.0%	$285,346,137
Under $5,000.....	6	7.1%	$0
$5,000 To $25,000.....	6	7.1%	$56,302
$25,000 To $100,000.....	5	6.0%	$288,934
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	19	22.6%	$5,514,263
$1,000,000 And Over.....	48	57.1%	$279,485,538
CONSTRUCTION.....	809	100.0%	$166,687,324
Under $5,000.....	75	9.3%	$41,034
$5,000 To $25,000.....	33	4.1%	$437,941
$25,000 To $100,000.....	127	15.7%	$4,971,233
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	378	46.7%	$57,075,222
$1,000,000 And Over.....	196	24.2%	$104,161,894
MANUFACTURING.....	547	100.0%	$498,614,408
Under $5,000.....	165	30.2%	$30,444
$5,000 To $25,000.....	40	7.3%	$543,537
$25,000 To $100,000.....	84	15.4%	$4,703,275
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	153	28.0%	$43,115,838
$1,000,000 And Over.....	105	19.2%	$450,221,314
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES..	251	100.0%	$97,730,835
Under $5,000.....	42	16.7%	$23,779
$5,000 To $25,000.....	8	3.2%	$115,526
$25,000 To $100,000.....	30	12.0%	$867,505
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	111	44.2%	$21,366,714
$1,000,000 And Over.....	60	23.9%	$75,407,311
WHOLESALE TRADE.....	555	100.0%	$302,087,582
Under $5,000.....	142	25.6%	$57,496
$5,000 To $25,000.....	43	7.7%	$454,220
$25,000 To $100,000.....	73	13.2%	$3,698,637
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	199	35.9%	$43,215,911
$1,000,000 And Over.....	98	17.7%	$254,661,318
RETAIL TRADE.....	1,467	100.0%	$191,411,765
Under $5,000.....	179	12.2%	$59,835
$5,000 To $25,000.....	71	4.8%	$844,495
$25,000 To $100,000.....	212	14.5%	$8,810,763
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	676	46.1%	$83,693,463
$1,000,000 And Over.....	329	22.4%	$98,003,209

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	March 1984 Number	Percent	Liabilities
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE..	249	100.0%	$727,117,024
Under $5,000.....	33	13.3%	$6,153
$5,000 To $25,000.....	9	3.6%	$136,560
$25,000 To $100,000.....	23	9.2%	$1,082,408
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	78	31.3%	$19,192,546
$1,000,000 And Over.....	106	42.6%	$706,699,357
SERVICES.....	1,374	100.0%	$1,055,437,838
Under $5,000.....	124	9.0%	$56,930
$5,000 To $25,000.....	93	6.8%	$1,073,940
$25,000 To $100,000.....	164	11.9%	$7,371,012
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	454	33.0%	$67,035,017
$1,000,000 And Over.....	539	39.2%	$979,900,939
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.....	1	100.0%	$184,433
Under $5,000.....	0	0.0%	$0
$5,000 To $25,000.....	0	0.0%	$0
$25,000 To $100,000.....	0	0.0%	$0
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	1	100.0%	$184,433
$1,000,000 And Over.....	0	0.0%	$0
NONCLASSIFIABLE ESTABLISHMENTS.....	177	100.0%	$29,419,772
Under $5,000.....	2	1.1%	$0
$5,000 To $25,000.....	1	0.6%	$7,624
$25,000 To $100,000.....	4	2.3%	$121,651
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	19	10.7%	$1,765,649
$1,000,000 And Over.....	151	85.3%	$27,524,348
TOTAL UNITED STATES.....	5,750	100.0%	$3,479,740,479
Under $5,000.....	794	13.8%	$275,671
$5,000 To $25,000.....	312	5.4%	$3,773,365
$25,000 To $100,000.....	742	12.9%	$32,979,101
$100,000 To $1,000,000.....	2,170	37.7%	$363,149,369
$1,000,000 And Over.....	1,732	30.1%	$3,079,562,473

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